

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Application of Chariton Valley Communications )  
Corporation, Inc., for Approval of an Interconnection )  
Agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. ) **Case No. TK-2005-0300**  
d/b/a SBC Missouri Pursuant to Section 252(e) of )  
the Telecommunications Act of 1996 )

### **ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

On March 9, 2005, Chariton Valley Communications Corporation, Inc., filed an application with the Commission for approval of an interconnection agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. On April 13, Staff filed its Recommendation.

Staff is concerned that Chariton Valley and SBC Missouri's interconnection agreement does not include terms governing transiting traffic. According to Staff, the agreement's failure to include a complete transit traffic provision could result in discrimination against carriers that are not parties to the agreement. Furthermore, that failure could also be against the public interest.

Staff asks that the Commission order Chariton Valley and SBC Missouri to amend their agreement to include a complete transit traffic provision, or to explain why the Commission should not require them to do so. If Chariton Valley and SBC Missouri do not amend their agreement, then the Staff recommends that the Commission reject it.

Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the Commission must approve or reject the agreement no later than June 7. The Commission will order Chariton Valley and SBC Missouri to promptly respond.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Chariton Valley Communications Corporation, Inc., and Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri shall respond to Staff's Recommendation no later than April 22, 2005.
2. That this order shall become effective on April 15, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

( S E A L )

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 15th day of April, 2005.